House Resolution No. 3096

Whereas, the St. Joseph School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on July 1, 2004, with the retirement of Mark Twain Elementary School Principal Don Weston who has devoted several years of his life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a teacher and an administrator; and

Whereas, Don Weston has worked for three years at Mark Twain Elementary School, where he is held in high esteem for his overall competence and successful leadership; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Don Weston served as a principal at Skaith Elementary School and Hosea Elementary School, and as a teacher, assistant principal, and principal at Amazonia Elementary School for twenty-nine years prior to assuming his responsibilities at Mark Twain Elementary School; and

Whereas, named St. Joseph PTA Council Principal of the Year 2000, Don Weston is a recipient of the Outstanding Administrator Award from the Northwest Missouri School Counselors Association and the Administrator in Reading Award from the Northwest Missouri Reading Association; and

Whereas, Don Weston has supported his profession as a member of the Missouri State Teachers Association, the Missouri Association of Elementary School Principals, the National Association of Elementary School Principals, and various local PTA Committees; and

Whereas, Don Weston has also enjoyed recognition as Fundraising Division Chair for the United Way, Fundraising Chair for Allied Arts, and a member of the InterServ Board of Directors and the Southside Rotary Club, which named him Rotarian of the Year 1988; and

Whereas, Don Weston has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include his wife, Ann Weston; two sons, Michael and Nicholas; and three stepchildren, Joel, Merryl, and Douglas:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join the St. Joseph School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Don Weston has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing him the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that he so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Don Weston, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by
Representative Ed Wildberger
District No. 27
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3096, adopted May 14, 2004.